



## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1610 PATENT**

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# SECOND REPLY AFTER FINAL

#### Commissioner:

Please find enclosed a'Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Claims 66-72 and 74-77 are pending. No amendments are submitted herewith. As discussed below, Applicants hereby request that an interference be declared.

### **REMARKS**

The undersigned representative wishes to thank the Examiner for the recent discussion by telephone regarding this case. As indicated in that discussion, the undersigned representative believes that there is conflicting subject matter in the issued claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,323,313 B1 to Tait et al. (the '313 Patent) and the pending claims of the subject application. More specifically, there is overlap between the pending claims of the subject application and one or more of at least claims 9-11 of the '313 Patent.

Applicants hereby request that an interference be declared between the subject application and the '313 Patent.